

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

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BRANDON S. BAKER SR.,

Petitioner,

v.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,

Respondent.

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Civ. No. 17-4995 (FLW)

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

Leave to proceed in this Court without prepayment of fees is authorized. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a). This case is subject to screening by the Court *sua sponte*, and the Court will screen the Petition in due course.

Therefore, IT IS, on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018,

ORDERED that Petitioner's renewed application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, (ECF Nos. 1-1 & 4), is GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED that the Court will not order Respondent to file an answer at this time, as the Court has not yet completed its *sua sponte* screening; and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court shall send a copy of this Order to Plaintiff by regular U.S. mail.

/s/ Freda L. Wolfson  
Freda L. Wolfson  
United States District Judge